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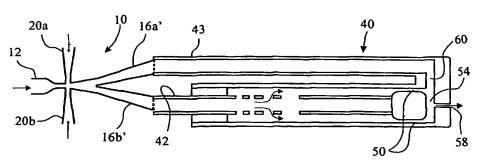
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(57) Abstract: A fountain (50) comprises a supply of water under pressure, a primary fluidic diverter (10) having an input (12) for said supply, and first and second outputs (16a, b) diverging from said input. Two control ports (20a, b) are provided with control flow to direct input flow to one or other of the two outputs that lead to the two inputs of a vortex amplifier (40). This comprises a vortex chamber (54), a radial port (50), a vortex inducing port (60) and an axial output port (58). One (16a) of the diverter outputs is connected to the vortex inducing port, the other (16b) to the radial port, so that supply to said axial output port is modulated by formation of a vortex in the chamber when flow is to the vortex inducing port. The axial port leads to a nozzle whereby a vortex spray or axial jet is produced, depending on which diverter output (16a, b) is active.



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1. claims: 1-9.27

Fountain with fluidic diverter with two outputs and a vortex valve, wherein one output is connected to a tangential port of the vortex valve and the other is connected to a radial port. Whereby the fountain porduces alternatively a vortex spray or axial jet.

2. claims: 10-11,49,50

Fountain wherein means to deflect the vortex spray (spray catcher or nozzle with diffuser) are located downstream the nozzle.

3. claims: 12-13

Fountain comprising two parallel vortex valves wherein each radial port is fed by a water supply and each tangential port is fed by one of the respective outputs of a fluidic diverter.

4. claims: 14-15

Fountain with two parallel fluidic diverters connected to one vortex valve.

5. claim: 16

Self oscillating nozzle.

6. claims: 17,18,28-34

Wind detection device.

7. claims: 19-26

Fountain with fluidic diverter having a control port wherein the control port is controlled manually, by a pilot diverter or by a logic circuit respectively.

8. claims: 35-43

Fountain display with various display elements.

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